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**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No.: 20174C-000620US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Charles F. Spence, et. al

Application No.: 09/928,590

Filed: August 13, 2001

For: MICRO-FABRICATED CELL  
SORTER FOR CHEMICAL AND  
BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 7906

Examiner: Jeffrey Thomas Barton

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1753

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 3, 2004, for which a response was due February 3, 2005. Applicants request a two-month extension of time for response, extending the time for response to April 4, 2005 (April 3 was a Sunday). Please enter the amendments and remarks that follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.